

MORE Administrator's Report

July 2018 – MORE Directors Council

MORE Library App

At long last, DemcoSoftware, the company that had been contracted to create a library app for MORE back in late 2016 has agreed to provide a refund. The company did not provide a usable app, and was not proactive about remedying the situation, particularly after they were somewhat misleadingly implicated in MORE's 2017 data breach. The app has been removed from app stores, so patrons will no longer stumble upon a non-functional app.

MORE Cataloging Options

Be thinking about how your library will manage cataloging tasks in 2019. In the summer of 2017 IFLS staff developed a set of four cataloging options and required each MORE-member library to choose one:

- Option 1: Employ professional, dedicated cataloging staff
- Option 2: Participate in the IFLS Shared Services program
- Option 3: Employ staff or enlist volunteers with MORE cataloging certification
- Option 4: Help fund a staff member focused on database maintenance [became our CABS service]

We anticipate continuing with these options in 2019. Note that options 2 and 4 involve a fee paid to IFLS; options 1 and 3 do not.

Electronic Record Retention

At the May 18 meeting, Directors Council discussed the potential for waiving old fines and fees on patron records, thus freeing old patron records to be purged. I will compile some statistics about old accounts, amounts owed, etc. in anticipation of future discussions. Please let me know if there are specific data points you or your board will want to know to make a decision.

MORE Glossary

I've posted a "MORE Glossary" near the top of the MORE Training page.

Tip: To find it, log into the IFLS website (username: librarian, password: service), then search for MORE Glossary.

Being familiar with these terms will be useful in discussions with other MORE-member library staff and directors.